## **Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

## Page 1: After the title, insert:

--This is a 371 national phase application of PCT/JP2003/008943 filled 14 July 2003, claiming priority to Japanese Application No. 2002-222387 filed 31 July 2002, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.--

<u>Page 4</u>: Replace the paragraph starting on line 14 with the following amended paragraph:

The halogen containing monomer as used herein includes, but not limited to, vinyl chloride, vinylidene chloride, <u>biriru</u> <u>vinyl</u> bromide, vinylidene bromide, etc. Vinylidene chloride and vinyl chloride are preferable in respect of easy availability among them. Moreover, other mono-olefin based monomers copolymerizable with them may also be used, if needed, by a grade not disturbing the present invention.